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Supporting the observance of a Month of Global Health.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. McCOLLUM of Minnesota (for herself, Mr. GILCHREST, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. SNYDER, and Mr. SCHWARZ of Michigan) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

Supporting the observance of a Month of Global Health.

Whereas child survival is a key element of global health and is of utmost importance to the United States and all countries of the world;

Whereas child survival must be addressed on a global scale;

Whereas increasing child survival rates is critical to population growth in countries around the world;

Whereas child survival depends on access to key nutrients that can avert millions of unnecessary deaths in third world countries from preventable diseases;

Whereas 5 simple interventions, if delivered to children before the age of 5, may significantly increase their chances of survival;

Whereas these 5 interventions—vaccines, antibiotics, Vitamin A and micronutrients, oral rehydration therapy, and insecticide-treated bednets—can be provided to third world countries at minimal cost;

Whereas 10,000,000 children die each year from preventable diseases in third world countries, and 6,000,000 of those deaths could be prevented by the use of these interventions; and

Whereas it would be appropriate to observe November 2005 as a Month of Global Health: Now, therefore, be it

1   *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2   (1) supports the observance of a Month of

3   Global Health;

4   (2) reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that

5   children around the world receive the interventions

6   necessary for survival as an integral component of

7   efforts to improve global health; and

8   (3) encourages the people of the United States

9   to observe a Month of Global Health with appro-

10   priate participation in key activities, programs, and

11   fundraising in support of worldwide child survival.

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